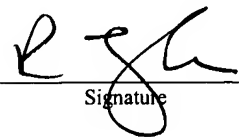




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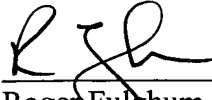
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Applicant respectfully requests that the following amendment be made to the specification of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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